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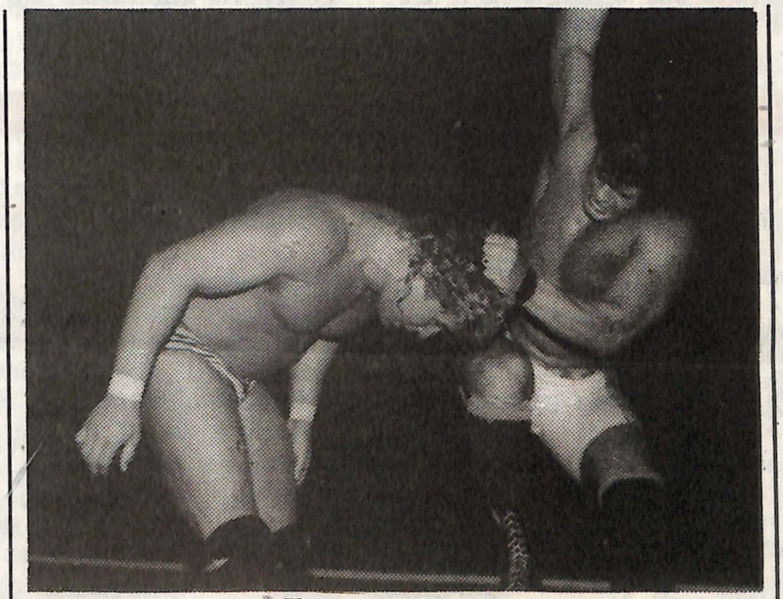
# FLAMINGO, STEAMBOAT WINNERS AT BLAST

**Scotty Flamingo** defeated **Brian Pillman** to win the WCW light heavyweight title, while **Rick Steamboat** and **Sting** scored convincing victories at Beach Blast, the pay-per-view supercard held on June 20 at the Civic Center in Mobile, Alabama.

Sting, the WCW World champion, pinned **Cactus Jack** to win his violent non-title falls-count-anywhere bout, while Steamboat scored four pinfalls to U.S. champion **Rick Rude's** three to win their unique 30-minute "Ironman Challenge" bout.

The biggest upset on the card, however, came in the first match on the broadcast. WCW officials had been criticized for giving the flippant Flamingo such an important title match so early in his tenure in the federation, but the promising star proved his worth with an excellent showing against Pillman, who has defeated **Jushin Liger** and **Tom Zenk** in recent months.

The match started out as a strictly scientific battle until Flamingo began angering Pillman with forearm smashes at the four-minute mark. From that point, Pillman began to dominate the match with flying tactics. After tossing Flamingo onto the ramp that led to the ring, Pillman raced from the center of the ring and leaped over the top rope to attempt a flying bodyblock, but Flamingo moved out of the way. Pillman's head struck the ramp upon the awkward landing, Flamingo rolled Pillman in the ring, delivered a kneedrop to Pillman's back, and cradled him for the pinfall at the 17:29 mark.



*Flamingo vs. Pillman*

"The greatest victory of my career?" Flamingo responded to a reporter's question after the bout. "Not yet. You see, I've got much bigger and better things on my mind than beating an overrated shrimp like Pillman. Who knows? Maybe this is the first step toward the overall World title for me. And if Pillman wants a rematch . . . well, let him work his way up the ladder like anyone else. For now, I'm the champ, chumps!"

Pillman was subdued and philosophical after the match.

"I beat myself more than Flamingo beat me," said Pillman as he held an icepack to his sore forehead. "It was just one risky maneuver too many during this match. If you look at a tape of the match, you'll see I dominated Flamingo with my aerial moves throughout the whole damn thing. But the flying splash over the rope was a mistake and I paid for it. So let Flamingo say whatever he wants—now. I'll beat him and win my title back the first time I get the chance."

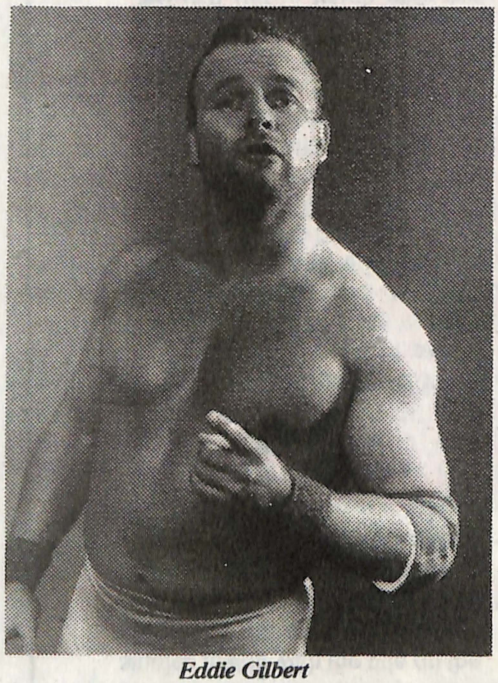
Steamboat won his grueling bout against Rude by scoring four falls to Rude's three in a 30-minute bout in which the man who captured the most falls was declared the winner. However, Rude (whose U.S. championship was not on the line) is scoffing at the loss.

"I had Steamboat beat two falls to none," recalled Rude, "Then, that idiot referee **Randy Anderson** disqualified me for jumping off the top rope. You call that winning a fall? You call that a victory? The way I look at it, Steamboat pinned me three times, and I pinned him three times. That's a draw, and there's no way he can be considered a better man than I am by wrestling to a draw—and there's no way I'll give that moron any more title shots."

However, winning the U.S. belt may now be a diminished priority for Steamboat. During an interview conducted by **Eric Bischoff** later on the card, **Paul E. Dangerously** interrupted and screamed at Steamboat. When it appeared "The Dragon" was about to strike Dangerously, Cactus Jack raced to the platform, pulled Steamboat off, and began

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## WRESTLER OF THE WEEK



*Eddie Gilbert*

**Eddie Gilbert** was so confident he would defeat **Jerry Lawler** to win the USWA title that he announced if he lost their match on June 15 in Memphis, he would retire.

Usually, "Hot Stuff's" confidence can be dismissed as pure arrogance, but at least on this occasion, his attitude served him well. The always-controversial Gilbert walked out of the ring as the new USWA champion.

"People have called me a lot of things throughout my career," Gilbert admitted, "but today, they have to call me champion of the United States Wrestling Association. They also have to call me the new 'King.' I mean, how can Lawler be known as 'The King' anymore? He can't."

To be sure, Gilbert's tactics—and those of his cronies—in winning the USWA belt were despicable. First, he attempted to throw fire at Lawler, but instead he hit his manager, **Bert Prentice**. Then **Mike Samples**, the supposed Global International promoter, smacked Lawler with a chain and rolled him back into the ring, where he was easy prey for Gilbert's pin.

Few can deny, however, that Gilbert makes a major impact in whatever federation he competes. After being stripped of the Global North American title, he came right into the USWA and captured the belt. He may lose the title to Lawler in his first defense, but he'll always be a threat to "The King's" throne.

"You guys really burned me up when you put me in that 'Who's Not' section last week, saying that I didn't represent anybody," Gilbert fumed. "Look, I represent *myself*, first of all. I also represent everybody who's sick and tired of Lawler lording it all over this area for all these years. I'm here to put a stop to it!"

Ignore Gilbert, or fear him. But don't forget he's there.

## MATCH OF THE WEEK

As WCW U.S. titlist, **Rick Rude** always displays the cool confidence associated with being a champion. But in his non-title "Ironman Challenge" match against **Rick Steamboat** at Beach Blast in Mobile, Alabama, Rude lost his cool—and the match.

Match stipulations said the winner would be the wrestler accumulating the most falls against a 30-minute running clock. Rude blew leads of 2-0 and 3-1, eventually losing, 4-3, to "The Dragon."

Less than nine minutes into the match, Rude had pinned Steamboat twice following a double-kneelift to the face and his "Rude awakening" neckbreaker. But he blew a chance to open a 3-0 lead when came off the top turnbuckle for a kneedrop. Referee **Randy Anderson** disqualified Rude, awarding a fall to Steamboat.

Rude restored his two-pin lead less than a minute later with a reverse cradle with 19:29 left. After seven minutes of brawling, Rude tried a tombstone piledriver that would have given him a 4-1 lead with just over 12 minutes left. But Steamboat remarkably reversed the maneuver and pinned his nemesis to close to 3-2.

"The Dragon" seized the momentum and evened matters at 3-3 with a backslide with 9:38 to go. Both competitors were aware that the next pin would probably decide the match, and they were right.

With under a minute to go and the Civic Center crowd going crazy, Rude locked Steamboat in a sleeperhold, trying to squeeze the consciousness out of Steamboat before time expired. But in another fantastic reversal, Steamboat kicked off the ropes and landed on Rude in a pin position. Anderson pounded out the three-count, giving Steamboat a wild victory.

Steamboat was superb, but he had some help. Rude snatched defeat from the jaws of victory.

## YAY & NAY

We start with a "yay" for **Steve Williams** and **Terry Gordy**, who have wasted no time in backing up their boasts. The duo said it would handle WCW World tag champs **Rick** and **Scott Steiner**, and they have, beating the brothers in the NWA tag team tournament and battling them to a time-limit draw at Beach Blast. "Dr. Death" and "Bamm Bamm" look ready for a run at the title.

Here's a "nay" to the **USWA**, which held a boxing tournament among its top four valets. We do advocate competition among women in wrestling, but this farce is nearly as degrading as the concept of valets. All it does is perpetuate the idea of showcasing women as frivolous sex objects. Women's boxing is the type of event that is better left to go-go bars. What's next, hot oil tag team matches?

"Yay" to new WCW troubleshooting referee **Ole Anderson**, who is making his presence felt immediately. Anderson disqualified the team of **Bobby Eaton**, **Steve Austin**, and **Arn Anderson**, citing his own relative, Arn Anderson, for jumping off the top rope. When new **Bill Watts** appointed Ole Anderson, fans questioned the degree of partiality the former rulebreaker would provide, particularly in matches involving Arn. That appears to be a non-issue now.

Another "nay" for **Irwin R. Schyster** and **Ted DiBiase**, also known as **Money Inc.** The WWF World tag team "champions" were at it again, vacating the premises during a match against **The Natural Disasters**. IRS and the "Million-Dollar Man" have already wrapped up "Cowards of the Year" for 1992. What really stinks is that the fans who attend these matches are entitled to a clean finish, instead of Money Inc. fleeing the ring. They are a joke.

And finally, a begrudging "yay" to **The Moondogs**, who actually wrestled two matches on the same card to pinfalls, retaining their USWA tag team title and losing a six-man match. We're sure this was an aberration, but it's heartening to see these rabid men stay inside the ring for a change.

# THIS WEEK

*June 27-July 3. All dates subject to change.*

| Sat/27 | Sun/28 | Mon/29 | Tue/30 | Wed/1 | Thu/2 | Fri/3 |
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| **Indep:** Wallingford, CT<br>**Indep:** Eadonton, NC<br>**USA:** Portland, OR<br>**USWA:** Jonesboro, AR<br>**WWF:** Tulsa, OK; Fredericton, New Brunswick | **BDPW:** Tallahassee, FL<br>**Indep:** Wallingford, CT<br>**WCW:** Chicago, IL<br>**WWF:** Landover, MD; Newmarket, Ontario | **USWA:** Memphis, TN<br>**WWF:** Glens Falls, NY | **MCW:** Detroit, MI<br>**NAWA:** Dallas, TX<br>**USWA:** Louisville, KY<br>**WCW:** Atlanta, GA<br>**WWF:** Binghamton, NY | **USWA:** Evansville, IN<br>**WCW:** Macon, GA<br>**WWF:** Asbury Park, NJ; White Plains, NY | **ICWA:** Tampa, FL<br>**WCW:** Chattanooga, TN<br>**WWF:** Ft. Pierce, FL; Poughkeepsie, NY | **GWF:** Dallas, TX<br>**WCW:** Knoxville, TN |

***THIS WEEK:*** July 4 fireworks will start early this year—on July 1, to be exact—in White Plains, New York. The unusual team of Papa Shango and The Nasty Boys will face off against the powerful threesome of The Legion of Doom and The Ultimate Warrior in a six-man tag team match. Shango has had the Warrior reeling with his supposed voodoo curse, but the most level-headed Animal and Hawk—and their manager, Paul Ellering—aren't likely to fall for such a ploy.

- Tom Zenk and Brian Pillman will reunite on Saturday in Milwaukee to battle the brutal duo of Terry Gordy and Steve Williams.
- The Oakdale Music Theater in Wallingford, Conneticut, hosts an independent card on Sunday, featuring Don "The Rock" Muraco vs. The Honky Tonk Man.
- The WWF has two national TV tapings, at Glens Falls, New York, on Monday, and Binghamton, New York, on Tuesday.

# REPORTERS' NOTEBOOK

***CHARLESTON, S.C.:*** Musings from the NWA tag team tournament: The only second-round match saw the night's best match—and biggest upset. With WCW World tag team champions Rick and Scott Steiner having been eliminated by Steve Williams and Terry Gordy, the tourney is wide open. Anyone can win, including Jushin Liger and Brian Pillman, by far the smallest—and most acrobatic—team still alive . . . Paul E. Dangerously's worries are over. The possibility of both of his entries meeting in the second round ended when Dustin Rhodes and Barry Windham defeated Arn Anderson and Bobby Eaton. How the mighty have fallen . . . Speaking of two entries, all four members of Sting's "Squadron" moved into the second round. Besides Rhodes and Windham, Nikita Koloff and Rick Steamboat also advanced with a victory over the Malenkos . . . Akira Nogami and Hiroshi Hase of Japan were the only foreign team to make it into the second round . . . One team never made it to the arena—the Puerto Rico entry of Miguel Perez Jr. and El Borica. They were better off not showing, since they were scheduled to face the Steiners.

***—Matt Brock***

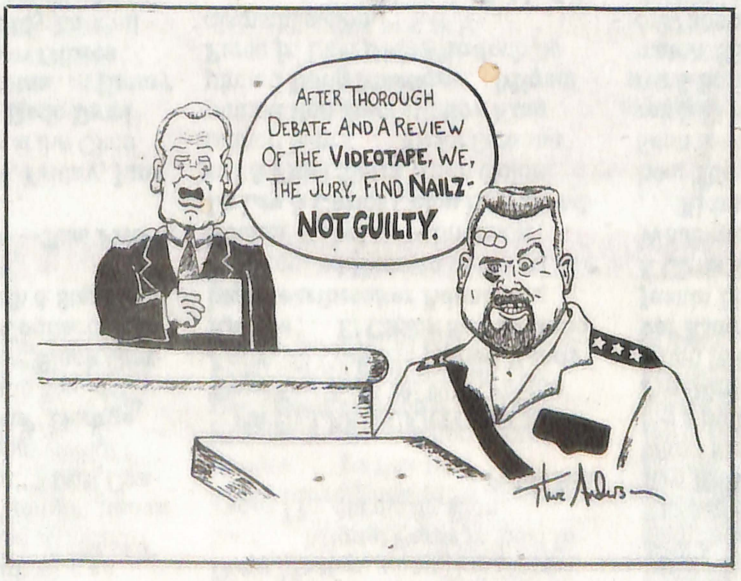
***DALLAS:*** I haven't been down here since February, so I drop a dime on *PWI Weekly* correspondent Freddie Fargo, who's embarking on a new career—as a manager. His charge is Shawn Stevens, the former Big D heavyweight champion. The referee was knocked groggy, as was Stevens, who was clearly outclassed by champion John Tatum. "Hollywood" was about to finish off Stevens with a three-count when Fargo clobbered him with his own title belt. The "Flamboyant One" then rolled Stevens on top of Tatum and revived the referee. Afterward, Fargo asked me if I would like attend a "title celebration." No thanks, Freddie. I only hang out with people with class.

***—Chris Bernucca***

***CAGUAS, PUERTO RICO:*** One month ago, Miguel Perez Jr. became the third man in a feud between Carlos Colon and Invader I, and the WWC faithful were scratching their heads. Some questioned why anyone would want to be part of a bloodbath, while others believed the youngster was in over his head. Perez, however, has more than held his own. On several occasions, he has taken charge. In a span of three days, he scored disqualification victories over Invader and his newest best friend, the vicious Dick Murdoch. Perez and Colon then teamed for a tag match against the two rulebreakers, and "Junior" was extremely impressive. Colon was not as sharp as he was pinned by Murdoch. This began as Colon's battle, but it's pretty clear who's leading the charge now.

***—Eddie Ellner***

# STEVE ANDERSON'S VIEW




# THIS WEEK IN HISTORY



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**June 30, 1989**

Jeff Jarrett and Matt Borne defeated the rugged team of Brian Lee and Robert Fuller to win the USWA tag team title at the Sportatorium in Dallas, Texas. It was a remarkable year of teaming for Jarrett, who won the USWA tag championship five times—once with Kerry Von Erich, once with Mil Mascaras, and three times with Borne.

# A FAN'S VIEW

SummerSlam '92 is going to be in England. That's music to my ears; time to change the station. It may be great for the WWF, its accountants, and executives, but what about us here in the United States?

Where does the WWF acquire its fame and fortune? The U.S., not the U.K. To me, it's a loss to the American fans. First off, it will be days before anyone in the States gets a chance to see the supercard. Second, the card was originally scheduled to take place at the Capital Centre in Landover, Maryland, and then taken away.

The WWF should realize the consequences of such a rash decision. For the first time ever, I had a chance to witness history in the making, live and in person. Instead, SummerSlam goes to England and I'll just have to wait to hear about it. We Cap Centre fans have always supported the WWF, and we deserve a chance to view the card live.

The WWF should realize that, for the most part, their money and main source of support comes from the Americans. To destroy our privilege to view such a great event in person after telling us that it will happen is criminal.

If a parent is going to make somebody happy, it will be their kids, not their neighbors' kids. The WWF should hold pay-per-view events in America—where they belong.

***—Rich Stagnato***

*(The writer is a wrestling fan from Woodbridge, Virginia. Send your comments of about 250 words to: A Fan's View, c/o* ***Pro Wrestling Illustrated Weekly****, Box 48, Rockville Centre, NY 11571. All submissions are subject to editing for length and clarity.)*

# TRANSACTIONS

**ANNOUNCED:** The Weekend Of Champions III wrestling convention, promoted by John Arezzi, on August 29-30 at the Ramada Hotel in Elmhurst, New York. Several wrestlers will be part of the event; participants will be announced during the next several weeks. For more information, call (516) 587-2861.

**DEPARTED:** Joe Don Smith, from the WWC.

**INJURED:** Former WCW World champion Lex Luger, now with World Bodybuilding Federation. Luger suffered a crushed elbow and other injuries in a motorcycle accident in early-June; he is expected to be out of the WBF for several months.

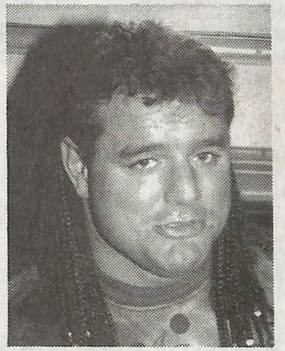
**WON:** The WCW light heavyweight title, by Scotty Flamingo, on June 20 in Mobile, Alabama. Flamingo pinned Brian Pillman to capture the title, his first.

The USWA title, by Eddie Gilbert, on June 15 in Memphis, Tennessee. Gilbert pinned Jerry Lawler to capture the championship, his first.

The Big D Pro Wrestling heavyweight title, by Shawn Stevens, on June 21 in Dallas, Texas. Stevens pinned John Tatum following interference from manager Freddie Fargo to capture the belt.

The Big D Pro Wrestling tag team title, by Rod Price and John Tatum, on June 21 in Dallas, Texas. Price pinned Action Jackson in a sanctioned singles match after Jackson's teammate, Iceman Parsons, was sidelined with an injury.

# WHO'S HOT, WHO'S NOT



*Davey Boy Smith*

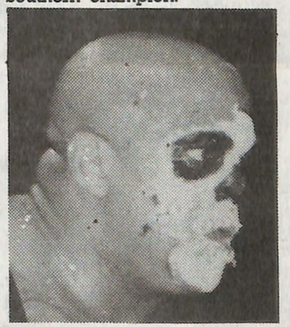
**WHO'S HOT**

**Davey Boy Smith.** With the determination of a bulldog, he's plowing over Repo Man.

**El Ciclon Salvadoreno.** The "Salvadoran Cyclone" wins without a lot of fanfare.

**"Gorgeous" George South.** He's enjoyed a very impressive PWF junior heavyweight title reign.

**Brian Christopher.** Love him or hate him, he's still Southern champion.



*Papa Shango*

**WHO'S NOT**

**Papa Shango.** His opponents' feet are hot; he's not.

**Paul Orndorff.** The veteran star is faltering in his climb up Smoky Mountain.

**The Man of the '90s.** First, he must put together a winning streak in the '90s.

**Geekoid I.** You mean there's *another* one of these guys running around?

# TRIVIA QUIZ

1. Who were the last AWA World tag team champions?
2. What rock singer managed Wendi Richter to the WWF women's title in 1984?
3. Name Randy Savage's opponents in the WrestleMania IV WWF World title tournament.
4. Harley Race defeated six different men to begin his seven NWA World title reigns. Whom did he defeat twice?
5. True or false: Paul Jones once managed Rick Rude.
6. How are Ivan and Nikita Koloff related?
7. What was the name of Rick Martel and Tito Santana's tag team?
8. What was the first NWA pay-per-view card?
9. Who are The Bruise Brothers?
10. What other singles title has Eddie Gilbert held in the USWA?

**ANSWERS**

*1—D.J. Peterson & The Trooper; 2—Cyndi Lauper; 3—Butch Reed, Greg Valentine, One Man Gang, and Ted DiBiase; 4—Sholei "Giant" Baba; 5—True; 6—Ivan is Nikita's uncle; 7—Strike Force; 8—1988 Bunkhouse Stampede; 9—Ron & Don Harris; 10—Southern title.*

# RATINGS

**For period ended June 22, 1992**

**TOP 10**

1. **STING (1)** — *WCW World champion*
2. **RANDY SAVAGE (2)** — *WWF World champion*
3. **BRET HART (4)** — *WWF I-C champion*
4. **RICK RUDE (3)** — *WCW U.S. champion*
5. **RICK STEAMBOAT (8)** — *No. 1 contender: U.S. title*
6. **RIC FLAIR (7)** — *No. 2 contender: WWF title*
7. **EDDIE GILBERT (-)** — *USWA champion*
8. **STEVE AUSTIN (6)** — *WCW TV champion*
9. **SCOTTY FLAMINGO (-)** — *WCW light heavyweight champion*
10. **SHAWN MICHAELS (9)** — *No. 1 contender: WWF title*

**TAG TEAMS**

1. **RICK & SCOTT STEINER (1)** — *WCW World tag team champions*
2. **TERRY GORDY & STEVE WILLIAMS (-)** — *No. 1 contenders: WCW tag title*
3. **IRWIN R. SCHYSTER & TED DiBIASE (3)** — *WWF World tag team champions*
4. **THE NATURAL DISASTERS (4)** — *No. 1 contenders: WWF tag team title*
5. **THE MOONDOGS (5)** — *USWA tag team champions*
6. **THE FREEBIRDS (2)** — *WCW U.S. tag team champions*
7. **TOM PRICHARD & STAN LANE (6)** — *Smoky Mountain tag team champions*
8. **GARY YOUNG & STEVEN DANE (7)** — *Global tag team champions*
9. **OWEN HART & KOKO B. WARE (8)** — *No. 2 contenders: WWF tag team title*
10. **THE LEGION OF DOOM (10)** — *No. 3 contenders: WWF tag team title*

**WCW**
*World Champion:*
STING (C)
1—RICK RUDE (1)
2—RICK STEAMBOAT (3)
3—STEVE AUSTIN (2)
4—SCOTTY FLAMINGO (-)
5—CACTUS JACK (7)
6—RON SIMMONS (5)
7—GREG VALENTINE (-)
8—BRIAN PILLMAN (8)
9—NIKITA KOLOFF (6)
10—BARRY WINDHAM (4)

**WWF**
*World Champion:*
RANDY SAVAGE (C)
1—BRET HART (1)
2—RIC FLAIR (2)
3—SHAWN MICHAELS (3)
4—THE ULTIMATE WARRIOR (5)
5—THE UNDERTAKER (4)
6—RICK MARTEL (-)
7—DAVEY BOY SMITH (9)
8—BERZERKER (6)
9—NAILZ (-)
10—PAPA SHANGO (7)

**GLOBAL**
*North American champion:*
SCOTT PUTSKI (C)
1—SAM HOUSTON (1)
2—TERRY SIMMS (2)
3—JOHNNY MANTELL (9)
4—STEVE COX (-)
5—THOR (-)
6—TUGBOAT TAYLOR (-)
7—CHAZ (-)
8—MIKE DAVIS (5)
9—STEVEN DANE (6)
10—JOHN TATUM (3)

**USWA**
*USWA champion:*
EDDIE GILBERT (2)
1—BRIAN CHRISTOPHER (1)
2—JERRY LAWLER (C)
3—JEFF JARRETT (3)
4—BILLY TRAVIS (-)
5—THE HORNET (8)
6—PEZ WHATLEY (-)
7—JEFF DANIELS (-)
8—MIKE MILLER (-)
9—CANDY MAN (6)
10—TONY FALK (9)

**USA**
*USA champion:*
TO BE DETERMINED
1—MIKE WINNER (8)
2—C.W. BERGSTROM (1)
3—SUMITO (6)
4—JESSE BARR (2)
5—JIM POPE (-)
6—DAN SHARPE (-)
7—BART SAWYER (3)
8—RON HARRIS (5)
9—JOHN RAMBO (9)
10—DAMIAN KNIGHT (-)

**NAWA**
*NAWA champion:*
HERCULES
1—THE CONDOR
2—LIGHTNING KID
3—TONY CAPONE
4—ROCHESTER ROADBLOCK
5—MIKE FURY
6—TONY ATLAS
7—TAZMANIAC
8—TOMMY DREAMER
9—THE HATER
10—JOHNNY ROTTEN

**CAGUAS, PUERTO RICO, Sunday, June 21:** WWC at the Arena: **The Rockin' Rebel** beat **El Exotico** . . . **El Corsario** defeated **Heartbreaker Adonis** . . . **El Ciclon Salvadoreno** pinned **Randy Rhodes** . . . **The Southern Rockers—Steve Doll** & **Rex King**—defeated **Ron Starr** & **Doug Masters** when Doll pinned Masters . . . **Ricky Santana** beat **Mohammad Hussein** by disqualification when **Fidel Sierra** interfered . . . **La Ley** defeated **Fidel Sierra** . . . **Invader I** & **Dick Murdoch** beat **Carlos Colon** & **Miguel Perez Jr.** when Murdoch pinned Colon.

*—Pablo Soto*

**BECKLEY, WV, Sunday, June 21:** Smoky Mountain Wrestling: **The Batten Twins** beat **Joe Cazana** & **Killer Kyle** . . . **Jimmy Golden** pinned **Robert Gibson** . . . **Tony Anthony** pinned **Dixie Dynamite** . . . **Tim Horner** beat **Buddy Landell** by countout . . . Heavyweight champion **Brian Lee** defeated **Paul Orndorff** by disqualification . . . Tag team champions **Tom Prichard** & **Stan Lane** defeated **Bobby** & **Jackie Fulton**.

*—Leonard Sims*

**DALLAS, TX, Sunday, June 21:** Big D at the Rocket Palace: **Gary Young** pinned **Rod Price**, but used a handful of trunks . . . **Action Jackson** pinned **Scott Braddock** following a powerslam . . . **Jimmy James** pinned **Hurricane Mike** after knocking him out with a foreign object . . . **Steven Dane** pinned **Shawn Summers**, but used the tights for leverage . . . **Shawn Stevens** pinned **John Tatum** to win the heavyweight title after manager **Freddie Fargo** interfered . . . **Rod Price** pinned **Action Jackson** to win the tag team title for he and **John Tatum**. Both sides agreed to a singles match with the title on the line after it was announced that **Iceman Parsons**, Jackson's usual partner, could not compete because of an injury. Tatum's interference led to Price's victory.

*—Doug Lane*

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**SPRINGFIELD, MA, Sunday, June 21:** WWF at Springfield Civic Center: **Virgil** pinned **"Brooklyn Brawler" Steve Lombardi** . . . **Nailz** pinned **Kerry Von Erich** . . . **Davey Boy Smith** pinned **Repo Man** . . . Intercontinental champion **Bret Hart** pinned **Shawn Michaels** . . . **The Bushwhackers** defeated **Double Trouble** . . . **The Natural Disasters** defeated tag team champions **Money Inc.** by countout when both **Ted DiBiase** & **Irwin R. Schyster** walked away from the ring . . . **The Ultimate Warrior** pinned **Papa Shango**.

*—Dan Reilly*

**BLUEFIELD, WV, Saturday, June 20:** Smoky Mountain at the Civic Auditorium: **Robert Gibson** pinned **Joe Cazana** . . . **Tony Anthony** pinned **Dixie Dynamite** . . . **Tim Horner** pinned **Buddy Landell** . . . **The Heavenly Bodies** defeated **Bart** & **Brad Batten** when **Tom Prichard** pinned Bart . . . Heavyweight champion **Brian Lee** beat **Paul Orndorff** by disqualification.

*—John Sanders*

**PHILADELPHIA, PA, Saturday, June 20:** WWF at the Spectrum: **Kerry Von Erich** pinned **"Brooklyn Brawler" Steve Lombardi** . . . **Nailz** beat **Virgil** . . . **The Bushwhackers** defeated **Double Trouble** . . . **Ric Flair** defeated World champion **Randy Savage** by countout . . . **Davey Boy Smith** pinned **Repo Man** . . . **The Natural Disasters** defeated tag team champions **Money Inc.** by countout . . . **The Undertaker** pinned **The Berzerker**.

*—Guy Dinleve*

**INDIANAPOLIS, IN, Saturday, June 20:** WWF at Market Square Arena: **Tito Santana** defeated **Skinner** . . . **Rick Martel** beat **Tatanka** . . . **Crush** beat **Kato** . . . **Animal** defeated **Blake Beverly** . . . **Owen Hart** & **Koko B. Ware** beat **The Nasty Boys** . . . Intercontinental champion **Bret Hart** defeated **Shawn Michaels** . . . **The Ultimate Warrior** beat **Papa Shango**.

*—Jeff Cohen*

**CLOVERDALE, BRITISH COLUMBIA, Saturday, June 20:** West Coast Championship Wrestling at Cloverdale Fairgrounds: **"Diamond" Timothy Flowers** defeated **Buddy Rose** in a Texas bullrope match . . . Heavyweight champion **Oly Olson** defeated **Michelle Starr** . . . **The Basher** pinned **Vern Siebert** . . . **The Zodiac** pinned **Chip Fletcher** . . . **The Mighty Quinn** defeated **The Cobra**.

*—Stuart Kemp*

**MANNINGTON, WV, Saturday, June 20:** IWWA: **Bubba Rose** defeated **The Dark Overlord** . . . **Chris Hamrick** beat **King Harley** . . . **Rock Parsons** beat **Wild Thing** . . . **Chris Hamrick**, **Bubby Rose**, & **Wild Thing** beat **Rock Parsons**, **Lord Zoltan**, & **King Harley**.

*—Elaine McAlister*

**PORTLAND, OR, Saturday, June 20:** Championship Wrestling USA at the Sports Arena: **Mike Winner** pinned **Damian Knight** following a backslide . . . **Jim Pope** wrestled **Dan Sharpe** to a time-limit draw . . . **"Wild Samoan" Sumito** wrestled **Jesse Barr** to a time-limit draw . . . **C.W. Bergstrom** beat **Ron Harris** by disqualification when Harris used brass knuckles . . . **Bart Sawyer** beat **John Rambo** in an "I Quit" match.

*—Kenn Jones*

**MOBILE, AL, Saturday, June 20:** WCW's Beach Blast at Mobile Civic Center: In a match not featured on the national pay-per-view telecast, **Junkyard Dog**, **Tom Zenk**, & **Big Josh** beat **"Diamond" Dallas Page**, **Richard Morton**, & **Tracey Smothers** . . . **Scotty Flamingo** pinned **Brian Pillman** in 17:29 to win the light heavyweight championship . . . **Ron Simmons** pinned **Terrence Taylor** in 7:10 following a powerslam . . . **Sting** defeated **Cactus Jack** in a falls-count-anywhere match in 11:24 when he caught Jack with a flying clothesline on the ramp followed by a pin . . . **Greg Valentine** defeated **Marcus Alexander Bagwell** by submission with a figure-four leglock in 7:17 . . . **Rick Steamboat** defeated U.S. champion **Rick Rude** in a 30-minute "Ironman Challenge" bout by capturing four falls to Rude's three. Rude captured the first pinfall at 7:41 after catching Steamboat with a double-kneelift to the jaw; Rude pinned Steamboat at 8:39 following a "Rude awakening" neckbreaker; Steamboat won the next fall in 9:37 when Rude was disqualified by referee **Randy Anderson** for delivering a kneedrop from the top turnbuckle; Rude pinned Steamboat at 10:31 using a reverse cradle; Steamboat reversed a tombstone piledriver for the pin on Rude at 17:38; Steamboat pinned Rude with a backslide in 20:22; Steamboat scored the deciding pinfall in 29:25 when he was locked in sleeperhold, but kicked off the ropes into a pinning position. Later on the card, Steamboat was attacked during an interview by **Cactus Jack** . . . **Dustin Rhodes**, **Nikita Koloff**, & **Barry Windham** defeated **Bobby Eaton**, **Steve Austin**, & **Arn Anderson** by disqualification in 15:32 when referee **Ole Anderson** disqualified Arn Anderson for diving off the top turnbuckle onto Windham . . . Tag team champions **Rick** & **Scott Steiner** battled **Terry Gordy** & **Steve Williams** to a 30-minute draw.

*—Burton Crane*

**LANCASTER, SC, Friday, June 19:** PWF at the Armory: **"Gorgeous" George South** won an eight-man bunkhouse stampede . . . Heavyweight champion **Italian Stallion** beat **"Mean" Mark Canterbury** . . . Junior heavyweight champion **"Gorgeous" George South** defeated **Austin Steele** . . . **Southern Rocker** beat **Black Scorpion** . . . **The Cruel Connection** defeated **Flaming Youth** & **Star Ryder**.

*—Tom Pritkin*

**KNOXVILLE, TN, Friday, June 19:** Smoky Mountain at the Civic Coliseum ballroom: **Dixie Dynamite** pinned **Joe Cazana** . . . **Jimmy Golden** pinned **Robert Gibson** . . . **Tim Horner** beat **Buddy Landell** by countout . . . **The Heavenly Bodies** beat **Danny Davis** & **Dixie Dynamite** when **Stan Lane** pinned Dixie . . . Heavyweight champion **Brian Lee** defeated **Tony Anthony** by disqualification.

*—John Sanders*

**UNIONDALE, NY, Friday, June 19:** WWF at Nassau Coliseum: **Kerry Von Erich** pinned **"Brooklyn Brawler" Steve Lombardi** . . . **Nailz** defeated **Virgil** by submission . . . **The Bushwhackers** beat **Double Trouble** . . . **The Undertaker** pinned **Berzerker** . . . **Davey Boy Smith** pinned **Repo Man** . . . **The Natural Disasters** defeated **Money Inc.** by countout . . . World champion **Randy Savage** beat **Ric Flair** by disqualification.

*—Andy Rodriguez*

**DALLAS, TX, Friday, June 19:** Global Wrestling Federation at the Sportatorium: **Steve Cox** pinned **Ed Robinson** . . . **Thor** pinned **Khris Germany** . . . **Chaz Taylor** & **Terry Simms** defeated **The Beach Boys** by disqualification . . . **Johnny Mantell** pinned **"Wild" Bill Irwin** in a loser-leaves-Global match . . . **Tugboat Taylor** pinned **Ed Robinson** . . . **Thor** pinned **Geekoid I** . . . **Dewey** defeated **"Maniac" Mike Davis** by disqualification . . . **Terry Simms**, **Scott Putski**, & **Steve Cox** defeated **Steven Dane**, **Gary Young**, & **Johnny Mantell** when Cox pinned Mantell.

*—Freddie Fargo*

**AIBONITO, PUERTO RICO, Friday, June 19:** WWC at the Arena: **El Ciclon Salvadoreno** beat **Heartbreaker Adonis** . . . **The Rockin' Rebel** defeated **Randy Rhodes** . . . **La Ley** beat **Mohammad Hussein** by disqualification when **Fidel Sierra** interfered . . . **Carlos Colon** beat **Dick Murdoch** by disqualification when **Invader I** interfered . . . **Ricky Santana** beat **Fidel Sierra** . . . **The Southern Rockers—Steve Doll** & **Rex King**—defeated **Ron Starr** & **Doug Masters** when Doll pinned Starr . . . **Miguel Perez Jr.** beat **Invader I** by disqualification.

*—Pablo Soto*

**PATILLAS, PUERTO RICO, Thursday, June 18:** WWC at the Arena: **El Corsario** pinned **Randy Rhodes** . . . **El Ciclon Salvadoreno** beat **Heartbreaker Adonis** . . . **Mohammad Hussein** defeated **The Rockin' Rebel** by submission . . . **La Ley** & **Carlos Colon** beat **Invader I** & **Fidel Sierra** when Colon pinned Sierra . . . **Ricky Santana** pinned **Ron Starr** . . . **Rex King** pinned **Doug Masters** . . . **Miguel Perez Jr.** beat **Dick Murdoch** by disqualification.

*—Pablo Soto*

**TAMPA, FL, Thursday, June 18:** ICWA at the Sportatorium: **Brady Boone** battled **Coconut Man** to a double-countout . . . **Dick Slater** beat **Allen Iron Eagle** . . . **Hurricane Walker** beat **El Tigre** . . . **Mark Starr** defeated **Ian Weston** by disqualification . . . **Jimmy Backlund** pinned **El Bandito** . . . **The Star Riders** beat **The Southern Posse**.

*—Ron Lemieux*

**KINGS MOUNTAIN, NC, Thursday, June 18:** PWF at the Armory: **Flaming Youth** won a 10-man battle royal . . . Heavyweight champion **Italian Stallion** beat **Austin Steele** . . . Junior champion **"Gorgeous" George South** & **"Mean" Mark Canterbury** defeated **The Star Ryders** . . . **Cruel Connection II** beat **Chief Black Heart** . . . **Flaming Youth** beat **Killdozer** . . . **Gladiator II** defeated **American G.I.**

*—Gladys Hightower*

**BUCHANAN, VA, Thursday, June 18:** IWWA at the Fairgrounds: **Joe Powers** beat **Eclipso** . . . **Bambi** beat **Peggy Lee Leather** . . . **Tommy Rich** & **Chris Hamrick** defeated **Rock Parsons** & **King Harley** . . . **Chris Hamrick** won a battle royal.

*—Elaine McAlister*

**CHARLESTON, SC, Tuesday, June 16:** WCW's Clash of the Champions at the Citadel: Results of the NWA World tag team title tournament: FIRST ROUND: **Nikita Koloff** & **Rick Steamboat** defeated **Joe** & **Dean Malenko** when Koloff pinned Dean Malendo following a "Russian sickle" clothesline . . . **Rick Rude** & **Steve Austin** beat **Tom Zenk** & **Marcus Alexander Bagwell** when Rude pinned Bagwell following a "Rude awakening" neckbreaker . . . **Steve Williams** & **Terry Gordy** beat **Larry** & **Jeff O'Day** when Williams pinned Larry following an "Oklahoma stampede" powerslam . . . **Dustin Rhodes** & **Barry Windham** beat **Arn Anderson** & **Bobby Eaton** when Rhodes pinned Eaton following a bulldog headlock . . . **The Freebirds** beat **The Silver Kings** when **Michael Hayes** pinned **Silver King II** . . . **Brian Pillman** & **Jushin Liger** beat **Beef Wellington** & **Chris Benoit** when Liger pinned Wellington following a moonsault . . . **Akira Nogami** & **Hiroshi Hase** beat **The Headhunters** . . . **Rick** & **Scott Steiner** defeated **Miguel Perez** & **El Borica** by forfeit when Perez & Borica failed to show for the match. SECOND ROUND: In the only second round match on this card, **Steve Williams** & **Terry Gordy** defeated **Rick** & **Scott Steiner** when Williams pinned Scott Steiner.

*—Burton Crane*

**MEMPHIS, TN, Monday, June 15:** USWA at Mid-South Coliseum: **Jeff Daniels** beat **The Candy Man** . . . A $1,000 "tough ladies competition," in which the participants boxed, went as follows: FIRST ROUND: **Lauren Davenport** beat **Miss Jennifer** . . . **Miss Candy** defeated **Dominique** . . . FINAL: Davenport beat Miss Candy . . . **"Mean" Mike Miller** defeated **Tony Falk** . . . Southern champion **Brian Christopher** won two separate matches, defeating **The Hornet** and **Billy Travis** . . . Tag team champions **Moondogs Spot** & **Cujo** beat **Jeff Jarrett** & **Pez Whatley** when Cujo pinned Jarrett . . . **Jerry Lawler**, **Jeff Jarrett**, & **The Hornet** defeated **Moondogs Spot** & **Cujo** & **Richard Lee** when Jarrett pinned Cujo . . . **Eddie Gilbert** pinned **Jerry Lawler** to capture the USWA title. Had Gilbert lost, he was supposed to have retired.

*—Mark Mitchell*

**MONTEREY, MEXICO, Monday, June 15:** Independent card at The Plaza Monumental Bullring: **El Ninja** & **Panthro** beat **Fu Man Chu** & **Baron Negro** . . . **Tigre Universitario** & **Polimero Espacial** beat **Bello David** & **Bello Incognito** . . . **Aro**, **Plata**, & **Bronce** beat **Rick Patterson**, **Comando Ruso**, & **Hombre Azul** . . . **Los Brazos** beat **El Dandy**, **Valente Fernadez**, & **The Cowboy** . . . **Vampiro Casanova**, **Rayo De Jalisco Jr.** & **Tinieblas** beat **Nitron**, **Satanico** & **Sangre Chicano**.

*—Brett Wolfe*

**LOCUST GROVE, VA, Monday, June 15:** IWWA at The Auction Barn: **The Harley Davidson Crew** defeated **Joey Maggs** & **Billy the Kid** . . . **Rock Parsons** defeated **Chris Hamrick** . . . **Sgt. Buddy Lee Parker** beat **The Southern Boy** . . . **The Ninja Turtle** beat **Tommy Rich** . . . **Tommy Rich** won a blindfold battle royal.

*—Elaine McAlister*

**CUMBERLAND, KY, Monday, June 15:** Smoky Mountain TV taping at the High School: **Bart Batten** pinned **Gary Scott** . . . **Dixie Dynamite** pinned **Joe Cazana** . . . **Danny Davis** pinned **Paul Lee** . . . Heavyweight champion **Brian Lee** pinned **Buddy Landell** . . . **Paul Orndorff** pinned **Gary Scott** . . . **Tim Horner** pinned **Joe Cazana** . . . **Robert Gibson** pinned **Rick Cannon** . . . **Brian Lee** pinned **Paul Lee** . . . **Bart** & **Brad Batten** wrestled **Dixie Dynamite** & **Danny Davis** to a no-contest . . . **Killer Kyle** defeated **Danny Davis Tony Anthony** & **Paul Orndorff** beat **Bart** & **Brad Batten** when Anthony pinned Bart . . . **The Heavenly Bodies** defeated **Gary Scott** & **Rick Cannon** when Lane pinned Scott . . . In an impromptu match, **The Heavenly Bodies** beat **The Fantastics** by disqualification.

*—John Sanders*

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battering him. Security and ring officials ran to the area and quickly ended the skirmish. Steamboat was livid.

"It's obvious that Dangerously paid off Cactus to try to finish me off," he said following the ambush. "That Cactus is some piece of work, isn't he? He'll do anything for a buck, but this time, he won't be able to enjoy his money. This time, I'm going to beat him right out of WCW. We don't need that kind of maniac running around sneak-attacking people."

Jack, who had lost his violent bout to Sting earlier on the card, welcomed Steamboat's challenge.

"If he wants to fight me, that's great," screeched the New Mexican maniac. "I proved I'm tough by nearly murdering Sting during our main event. If Steamboat thinks he can beat me, he's full of beans. He's never faced anyone as wild as me—and if I can remove that pineapple from the championship picture, who knows how rich Dangerously will make me? *Bang bang!*"

The final match on the card escalated what slowly is turning into a supercharged feud between World tag team champions **Rick** and **Scott Steiner** and **Terry Gordy** and **Steve Williams**. Although the Steiners battled Gordy and Willams to a 30-minute draw, Williams and Gordy had already defeated the Steiners in the second round of the NWA World tag tournament on June 16 in Charleston, South Carolina.

During that tournament, it was announced that **Miguel Perez Jr.** and **El Borica** did not appear for their scheduled bout against the Steiners. The Steiners were awarded the first-round victory by forfeit, but lost to Gordy and Williams in the controversial second-round match. Gordy's interference led to Williams' pinfall of Scott, who injured his right knee during the bout.

"If those Japan-lovers think they've proven anything to us, they're wrong," said an angry Rick Steiner following the Beach Blast match. "They only scored their victory 'cause Gordy cheated. Then, when they got a 30-minute chance against us, they couldn't get the job done. Sure, they're big and tough, I'll admit that. But when the smoke clears, me and Scotty will still be known as the best team in this whole sport." ☐

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